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SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLICATION

(BASED ON PCT/FR04/50158)

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FOR: METHOD FOR SCREENING

PROCESS CONDITIONS OF A

CHEMICAL COUPLING REACTION

AND KITS THEREFOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.